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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. SCOVILLE
Deputy Director (Research), CIA

SUBJECT: CIA Procurement for Projects [redacted]

Reference is made to your memorandum of 4 September on the above subject and our discussion yesterday with the Director.

In view of his expressed preference for having all covert contracting for the NRO done by the Agency, I believe we should expedite the transfer of the contracting responsibility for these two programs. It is my understanding that he desired to obtain some additional information before making the final determination but that in the absence of strong factors to the contrary, he desired to proceed in the manner we discussed. Assuming that his inquiry reinforces the desirability of proceeding to put all of the covert contracting in one place, I believe that the mechanics for accomplishing this are now completely defined and that we can effect the transition on an expedited basis.

Joseph V. Charyk
(S) Director
National Reconnaissance Office

cc: Director, CIA

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